

# Wakefield Has Sharp Defense

A total of 68 points scored in four games this season while limiting the opposition to one measly touchdown to date, could stamp the Wakefield Warriors as a football power to watch. And although the Wakefield coaching staff is certainly not the type to go around boasting of its accomplishments, it now remains up to the entire Wakefield High School to live to its reputation.

Fullback Tom Perkins leads the Warriors in the individual scoring race with 24 points on the strength of two touchdowns in the St. John's Junior Varsity game plus singletons in both the Annandale game and the Falls Church game.

Halfback Don Gardiner, the Warriors' leading scoring man from last season who missed considerable action in the first two games, now has amassed 18 points. Gardiner has accumulated this runnerup total on the basis of touchdown runs in the Annandale and Falls Church games plus a pair of extra points in the St. John's Jayvee tilt, a trio of placements in the Annan-

dale contest, and another extra point last Saturday against Falls Church.

Four others, Dave Mohrhardt, Mert McGill, Joe Morris, and John Booth, have also scored touchdowns for the Warriors during the first four games of the 1954 campaign. The two other points needed to balance out the total of 68, came from a safety registered against the St. John's Jayvees.

While this scoring exhibition seems impressive enough in itself, head coach Johnson and his staff comprising backfield coach Bill Edmondson, line coach Walt Schulte, and junior varsity coach Vic Blue, all tend to agree that the Warriors' offense needs further balance with more and better passing.

Most observers also agree that the outstanding performance of the Warriors' line has been the key to whatever success there seems to be at Wakefield.

This Saturday afternoon the Warriors will meet Garfield High School from Occoquan with the opening kickoff scheduled for 2 p.m.